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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
D. LEE MANNER) : Examiner: S. Clarke
Appn. No.: 09/284,983) : Group Art Unit: 3743
Filed: 05/11/1999)
For: COMBUSTIBLE FUEL SOURCE) April 23, 2004
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Additionally, the Examiner's attention is directed to the enclosed International Search Report which has been issued with respect to corresponding International Patent Application No. PCT/CA97/00857.

Additionally, the Applicant is submitting an English language translation of the foreign patent publication FR 970,708.

Additionally, the Applicant is submitting English language abstracts for the following foreign patent

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publications: DE 19503247, FR 2,601,381, and DE 3008644.

Additionally, the Applicant is submitting a copy of U.S. Patent No. 3,540,865, which claims priority from German Patent Application No. E 24,753 filed February 22, 1967. The Applicant submits that FR 1,555,955 also claims priority from German Patent Application No. E 24,753 filed February 22, 1967.

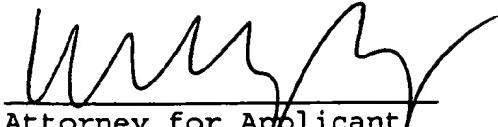
Additionally, with respect to FR 2,601,381, the Applicant submits that the following is, to the Applicant's knowledge, a further description of the subject matter disclosed in FR 2,601,381, as it is relevant to the claimed invention:

"FR 2,601,381 describes a combustible stick. The stick is composed of crushed, varied organic matter or varied organic matter that is impregnated with a flammable liquid and then pressed. The crushed organic matter may be rolled into paper."

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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